SENATE No. 1564

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael O. Moore

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to oversight of the sex offender registry board.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:Michael O. MooreSecond Worcester

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By Mr. Moore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1564) of Michael O. Moore for legislation relative to oversight of the sex offender registry board. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 1623 OF 2021-2022.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court (2023-2024)

An Act relative to oversight of the sex offender registry board.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Subsection (a) of section 178E of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as
- 2 appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words "data to
- 3 the", in line 17, the following words:- state police and.
- 4 SECTION 2. Section 178H of said chapter 6, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
- 5 inserting the following subsection:-
- 6 (c) Whenever the board determines that an offender knowingly and intentionally: (i) fails
- 7 to register; (ii) fails to verify registration information; (iii) fails to provide notice of a change of
- 8 address; or (iv) knowingly provides false information; the board shall transmit relevant data to
- 9 the state police who shall seek an arrest warrant for the offender.

SECTION 3. Section 178K of said chapter 6, as so appearing, by inserting after the words
"section 178L", in line 48, the following sentence:- These agreements shall include a
memorandum of understanding with the state police for the purpose of locating any offender who
fails to complete registration requirements or any offender the board cannot classify due to an
inability to meet notification standards.